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SUBJECT: UN OCHA COORDINATION WITH GOP PRIOR TO MAY 21  
DONORS MEETING

REF: A. A) ISLAMABAD 1079  
    1B. B) ISLAMABAD 1042  
    1C. C) ISLAMABAD 1033  
    1D. D) ISLAMABAD 1031

Classified By: Anne W. Patterson for reasons 1.4 (b), (d).

11. (C) In response to questions about the extent of coordination between the GOP and the UN with regard to the GOP-organized donors' meeting scheduled for May 21 and the formal announcement of the UN appeal on May 22, UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) Head Manuel Bessler said that the GOP had shared its strategy but not its white paper or information on monetary sums to be requested. The GOP has said that at the donors, meeting it will lay out a three-phased approach (emergency response, rehabilitation and recovery, and reconstruction). The GOP will refer the donors for the first phase to the international humanitarian appeal. Lt. General Nadeem will lay out how the GOP's relief efforts will complement those of the humanitarian assistance community. He will then provide the GOP's strategy for recovery and rehabilitation focused on early return of IDPs. According to Bessler, the UN is now focused on lifesaving measures to address the current humanitarian emergency while the GOP is looking mid- to long-term.

12. (C) Despite asking, Bessler has been unable to see a draft or outline of the white paper which Nadeem has said would be presented to the Prime Minister. As Bessler has carefully gone over the UN's appeal with Nadeem, however, he said he can only assume that what Nadeem presents at the donors' meeting will complement it. While Nadeem had earlier mentioned a USD 600 million sum for its appeal and later USD 800 million, Bessler had no precision on any amount that Nadeem might raise on May 21. Bessler said, however, that it was his understanding that the GOP appeal would include budgetary support.

13. (U) Bessler also noted that while the UN's planning figure assumes 1.7 million displaced persons and the current number is above 2.0 million, the UN does not assume alone to cover one hundred percent of the emergency needs. Its efforts are complemented by those of the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Pakistani Red Crescent Societies, other national Red Cross and Red Crescent societies, and other international actors.

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